

As an active amateur radio operator, extra class, I am strongly opposed to increasing the allowed bandwidth of digital and RTTY signals to 3KHz from 500 Hz.

Please carefully consider the effect of this change might have on CW operations. National security and emergency operations may well depend on CW capable operators and CW should be encouraged and protected because of its unparalleled simplicity and reliability.

CW because of its simplicity encourages the building of equipment that is vital for learning basic technical knowledge needed for effective radio communications.

CW is our heritage in amateur radio and it should not be trounced on thoughtlessly; it must be protected and advanced as a viable mode for all US amateurs.